

## State of Utah DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING

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July 9, 1993

Mr. James M. Parker, State Director Bureau of Land Management Utah State Office 324 South State, Suite 301 Salt Lake City, Utah 84111-2303

Dear Mr. Parker:

Re: <u>Division Review Comments, Proposed Royalty Reduction, Federal Lease U-0126938, American Gilsonite Company (AGC), Little Emma No. 6 Mine, M/047/010, Uintah County, Utah</u>

Thank you for your letter received June 30, 1993, regarding AGC's request for a reduction in the 12 1/2% royalty fee presently assessed on Federal gilsonite lease U-0126938. The Division has reviewed the proposal and concurs with the Bureau's proposal to approve of the royalty rate reduction for the low-grade gilsonite ore located in the upper panel of the Little Emma No. 6 mine shaft.

We have no additional comments or concerns with this proposal as it would not warrant any significant change to the approved mining and reclamation plan on file with this Division. Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on the proposal. If we can be of further assistance, please contact me, Lowell Braxton (Associate Director, Mining), or D. Wayne Hedberg (Supervisor, Minerals Program) at your convenience.

Very truly yours,

James W. Carter

Director

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cc: Lowell Braxton, DOGM

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